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In re application of : **Confirmation No. 9136**  
Teruhiro SHIONO et al. : **Docket No. 2001\_1700A**  
Serial No. 09/988,788 : **Group Art Unit 2652**  
Filed November 20, 2001 : **Examiner Peter V. Agustin**

OPTICAL INFORMATION RECORDING AND  
REPRODUCING APPARATUS FOR  
RECORDING INFORMATION BITS INTO  
AN OPTICAL DISK IN A THREE  
DIMENSIONAL ARRANGEMENT  
[as amended]

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**AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 7, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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